## NOTICE OF RULE ADOPTION - FINAL RULE



## STATE OF MISSISSIPPI Commission on Environmental Quality Department of Environmental Quality

Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality c/o Theodore D. Lampton III P O Box 10385 Jackson MS 329289-0385 601-961-5573 Ted Lampton@deq.state.ms.us Specific Legal Authority authorizing the promulgation of Rule:

Miss. Code Ann. § 49-2-9 (1), 49-17-17, 49-17-19, and 49-17-25 (2003)

Reference to Rules replaced, amended or suspended by the Proposed Rule: Amends and Reissues State of Mississippi Water Quality Criteria for Intrastate, Interstate and Coastal Waters

Explanation of the Purpose of the Proposed Rule and the reason(s) for the proposing the rule: The purpose of the amendments to the State of Mississippi Water Quality Criteria for Intrastate, Interstate and Coastal Waters is to define the Water Quality Criteria and assign a Water Quality Classification for water bodies in the State of Mississippi. The amended State of Mississippi Water Quality Criteria for Intrastate, Interstate and Coastal Waters will update and re-issue the previous version of this document.

The Agency Rule Making Record for this rule including any written comments received during the comment period and the record of any oral proceeding is available for public inspection by contacting the Agency at the above address. An oral proceeding was held on this rule: November 9, 2006 Date: Time: 6:00 p.m. Place: Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality, 2380 Highway 80 W., Jackson, MS, 39204 An oral proceeding was not held on this rule. The Agency has considered the written comments and the presentations made in any oral proceedings, and This rule as adopted is without variance from the proposed rule. This rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule as there are minor editorial changes which affect the form rather than the substance of the rule. The rule as adopted differs from the proposed rule. The differences however are: Within the scope of the matter in the notice of proposed rule adoption, the logical outgrowth of the contents of the Notice of Proposed Rule Adoption and the comments submitted in response thereto, and The Notice of Proposed rule Adoption provided fair warning that the outcome of the proposed rule adoption could

The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.

Effective Date of Rule: Adopted August 23, 2007 Effective 30 days after filing

be the rule in question.

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